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HONGKONG, CHINA, November 11, 1902.

Week ended November 8, 1902. Number of vessels inspected, 10; individuals bathed at the disinfecting station, 769; pieces of baggage disinfected, 994. Rejections from all causes, 5. The health conditions of the city continue to improve, only 1 case of plague (fatal) and 1 case of enteric fever having been reported during the week. No other cases of communicable disease were reported in the colony during the week.

Week ended November 15, 1902. Number of vessels inspected, 11; individuals bathed at the disinfecting station, 694; pieces of baggage The return of communicable diseases shows that only disinfected, 795. 1 case of enteric fever was reported during the week, otherwise there was no case of quarantinable disease in the colony during the time covered by this report.

> JOHN W. KERR, Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

## CUBA.

Yellow fever on steamship Esperanza from Vera Cruz.

HAVANA, CUBA, December 11, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions at this port for the week ended December 6, 1902:

The case of yellow fever reported in my letter of November 26, 1902, died on the 3d instant. The patient, a Spaniard, arrived from Vera Cruz on the steamship Esperanza, November 17, and being a nonimmune, was taken to Triscornia detention camp for observation. On the 18th, at morning inspection, he was found to be suffering from fever and was removed to Las Animas hospital, where a diagnosis of yellow fever was made by the commission on November 19.

I inclose herewith a translation of a decree promulgated in the Official Gazette by the secretary of government, relative to precautions to be used by the officers of the Cuban maritime quarantine service to guard against the introduction of yellow fever from infected ports, as well as quarantine rules to be observed by vessels while in such ports and the treatment which will be given supposed "infected" and "noninfected" vessels on arrival at Cuban ports.

Respectfully,

F. E. TROTTER,

Assistant Surgeon, In Temporary Charge.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

Regulations for maritime quarantine.

[Translation.]

HAVANA, CUBA, December 5, 1902.

The secretary of dispatch, by agreement of this date, dictates the following resolution:

In virtue of the powers conferred upon me by article 3 of military order No. 122, current series, and presidential decree No. 40, I have deemed it well to dictate the following regulations which shall be observed by the employees of the maritime quarantine service of the Republic.

For the purpose of quarantine against yellow fever which proceeds from Mexico, Central America, or any other point where this disease